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SUBJECT: CSC: MINI-PREAMBLE FOR SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

REF: GENEVA 6676

1. RECENT FRENCH-SOVIET DISCUSSIONS ON MINI-PREAMBLE TO
SPECIFIC MEASURES IN FIELDS OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE
CULMINATED ON DECEMBER 20 WITH AGREEMENT ON FOLLOWING
DRAFT TEXT, WHICH WE DO NOT THINK WILL POS ANY SIGNIFICANT
PROBLEMS FOR DEPARTMENT, AS BASIS FURTHER DISCUSSION HERE.

BEGIN TEXT:

THE PARTICIPATING STATES

CONSCIOUS OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS OF AN INTERNATIONAL
CHARACTER IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION AND SCIENCE WILL
CONTRIBUTE TO A BETTER MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND
IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF ALL PEOPLES AS WELL AS TO THE BENEFIT
OF FUTURE GENERATIONS,

PREPARED TO FACILITATE, ON THE BASIS OF SPECIAL ARRANGE-
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MENTS WHERE THESE ARE APPROPRIATE, THE FURTHER DEVELOP-

MENT OF CONTACTS AS WELL AS EXCHANGES OF KNOWLEDGE AND
EXPERIENCE BETWEEN ORGANIZATIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND
PERSONS ACTIVE IN THESE FIELDS,

DESIRING STRENGTHEN THE LINKS BETWEEN
EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC ESTABLISHMENTS AND ALSO TO
ENCOURAGE THEIR CO-OPERATION IN SECTORS OF COMMON INTEREST,
PARTICULARLY WHERE THE LEVELS OF KNOWLEDGE AND RESOURCES
REQUIRE EFFORTS TO BE CONCERTED INTERNATIONALLY,
AND CONVINCED THAT PROGRESS IN THESE FIELDS SHOULD BE
ACCOMPANIED BY A WIDER KNOWLEDGE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES,

EXPRESS TO THIS END THEIR INTENTION TO APPLY IN PARTICULAR
THE FOLLOWING: END TEXT

2. ABOVE TEXT DISTRIBUTED SAME DAY AT INFORMAL MEETING OF
REPS OF SEVERAL INCREASED DELEGATIONS (INCLUDING US).
FRENCH AND SOVIET REPS EXPRESSED HOPE THAT SUBSTANCE OF
TEXT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE AND THAT IT COULD SERVE AS BASIS
FOR NEGOTIATION AND PROMPT AGREEMENT WITHIN EDUCATIONAL
SUBCOMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY AFTER CHRISTMAS RECESS. ALL
PRESENTS AGREED EXT REPRESENTED SIGNIFICANT STEP TOWARD
RESOLUTION OF PROLONGED EAST/WEST IMPASSE OVER MINI-
PREAMBLE, AND PROMISED OBTAIN INSTRUCTIONS ON TEXT TO
ENABLE PROMPT NEGOTIATIONS IN JANUARY. YUGOSLAV DELEGATE
THOUGHT EXT ACCEPTABLE IN PRINCIPLE BUT RESERVED RIGHT
TO RETURN TO IT AFTER SUBCOMMITTEE HAD CONSIDERED PARA-
GRAPH 52 OF HELSINKI RECOMMENDATIONS ON "NATIONAL
MINORITIES OR REGIONAL CULTURES" (NOT MENTIONED IN DRAFT
TEXT).

3. INITIAL REACTION OF KEY WESTERN AND NEUTRAL DELEGATIONS IS
POSITIVE AND WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO
REACH AGREEMENT REASONABLY QUICKLY ON BASIS ABOVE
TEXT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LANGUAGE. UNDER
CIRCUMSTANCES, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY COMMENTS
DEPARTMENTS MAY HAVE BY TIME CONFERENCE RECONVENES ON
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